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1 [Sharing and protection in a single-address-space operating system](#)

Jeffrey S. Chase, Henry M. Levy, Michael J. Feeley, Edward D. Lazowska

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This article explores memory sharing and protection support in Opal, a single-address-space operating system designed for wide-address (64-bit) architectures. Opal threads execute within protection domains in a single shared virtual address space. Sharing is simplified, because addresses are context independent. There is no loss of protection, because addressability and access are independent; the right to access a segment is determined by the protection domain in which a thread executes. The ..

Keywords: 64-bit architectures, capability-based systems, microkernel operating systems, object oriented database systems, persistent storage, protection, single-address-space operating system wide-address architectures

2 [Synchronization with multiprocessor caches](#)

Joonwon Lee, Umakishore Ramachandran

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Introducing private caches in bus-based shared memory multiprocessors leads to the cache consistency problem since there may be multiple copies of shared data. However, the ability to snoop on the bus coupled with the fast broadcast capability allows the design of special hardware support for synchronization. We present a new lock-based cache scheme which incorporates synchronization into the cache coherency mechanism. With this scheme high-level synchronization primitives as well as the ...

3 [Using prediction to accelerate coherence protocols](#)

Shubhendu S. Mukherjee, Mark D. Hill

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Most large shared-memory multiprocessors use directory protocols to keep per-processor caches coherent. Some memory references in such systems, however, suffer long latencies for misses to

remotely-cached blocks. To ameliorate this latency, researchers have augmented standard coherence protocols with optimizations for specific sharing patterns, such as read-modify-write, producer-consumer, and migratory sharing. This paper seeks to replace these directed solutions with general prediction logic t ...

4 C²MP: a cache-coherent, distributed memory multiprocessor-system

D. E. Marquardt, H. S. Alkhatib

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Current research into the problems of cache coherency in multiprocessor (MP) systems, has primarily focused on bus based memory interconnection networks (M-ICN) and the use of various types of "snooping" cache coherency protocols. Bus bandwidth limitations can be alleviated through the use of wider bandwidth general interconnection structures, such as a crossbar switch. However, if private caches are used, the cache coherency problem becomes much more complex ...

5 A characterization of sharing in parallel programs and its application to coherence protocol evaluation

S. J. Eggers, R. H. Katz

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In this paper we use trace-driven simulation to analyze the memory reference patterns of write shared data in several parallel applications. We first develop a characterization of write sharing (based on notion of a write run), and then examine the traces, using metrics derived from the characterization. The results indicate that the amount of write sharing in all programs is small; and that it is characterized by short to medium sequences of per processor references, with little contention ...

6 Techniques for reducing consistency-related communication in distributed shared-memory systems

John B. Carter, John K. Bennett, Willy Zwaenepoel

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Distributed shared memory (DSM) is an abstraction of shared memory on a distributed-memory machine. Hardware DSM systems support this abstraction at the architecture level; software DSM systems support the abstraction within the runtime system. One of the key problems in building an efficient software DSM system is to reduce the amount of communication needed to keep the distributed memories consistent. In this article we present four techniques for doing so: software release consistency; memory consistency; m ...

Keywords: cache consistency protocols, distributed shared memory, memory models, release consistency, virtual shared memory

7 Cache memory performance in a unix environment

Cedell Alexander, William Keshlear, Furrokh Cooper, Faye Briggs

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8 CACHET: an adaptive cache coherence protocol for distributed shared-memory systems

Xiaowei Shen, Arvind, Larry Rudolph

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9 Evaluating the performance of four snooping cache coherency protocols

S. J. Eggers, R. H. Katz

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Write-invalidate and write-broadcast coherency protocols have been criticized for being unable to achieve good bus performance across all cache configurations. In particular, write-invalidate performance can suffer as block size increases; and large cache sizes will hurt write-broadcast. Read-broadcast and competitive snooping extensions to the protocols have been proposed to solve each problem. Our results indicate that the benefits of the extensions are limited. Read-broadcast ...

10 Implementing a cache consistency protocol

R. H. Katz, S. J. Eggers, D. A. Wood, C. L. Perkins, R. G. Sheldon

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Keywords: ownership-based protocols, shared bus multicomprocessor cache consistency, single cache implementation, snooping caches

11 Correct memory operation of cache-based multiprocessors

C. Scheurich, M. Dubois

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This paper shows that cache coherence protocols can implement indivisible synchronization primitives reliably and can also enforce sequential consistency. Sequential consistency provides a commonly accepted model of behavior of multiprocessors. We derive a simple set of conditions needed to enforce sequential consistency in multiprocessors. These conditions are easily applied to prove the correctness of existing cache coherence protocols that rely on one or multiple broadcast buses to enforce ...

12 The effect of sharing on the cache and bus performance of parallel programs

S. J. Eggers, R. H. Katz

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Bus bandwidth ultimately limits the performance, and therefore the scale, of bus-based, shared memory multiprocessors. Previous studies have extrapolated from uniprocessor measurements and simulations to estimate the performance of these machines. In this study, we use traces of parallel programs to evaluate the cache and bus performance of shared memory multiprocessors, in which coherency is maintained by a write-invalidate protocol. In particular, we analyze the effect of sharing ...

13 A cache coherence approach for large multiprocessor systems

J. K. Archibald

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This paper explores the architecture of high-performance large scale multiprocessors using private caches for each processor. The caches reduce the average memory access time, but they also res the well known cache coherence problem. Multiple copies of each memory location are allowed to but they must be kept consistent with each other. In this paper, we present a solution to the cache coherence problem specifically for shared bus multiprocessors that adapts dyn ...

14 Transactional client-server cache consistency: alternatives and performance

Michael J. Franklin, Michael J. Carey, Miron Livny

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Client-server database systems based on a data shipping model can exploit client memory resource caching copies of data items across transaction boundaries. Caching reduces the need to obtain data from servers or other sites on the network. In order to ensure that such caching does not result in violation of transaction semantics, a transactional cache consistency maintenance algorithm is required. Many such algorithms have been proposed in the literature and, as all provide the same ...

15 An evaluation of directory schemes for cache coherence

Anant Agarwal, Richard Simoni, John Hennessy, Mark Horowitz

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16 An evaluation of directory schemes for cache coherence

A. Agarwal, R. Simoni, J. Hennessy, M. Horowitz

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The problem of cache coherence in shared-memory multiprocessors has been addressed using two approaches: directory schemes and snoopy cache schemes. Directory schemes have been given little attention in the past several years, while snoopy cache methods have become extremely popular. Directory schemes for cache coherence are potentially attractive in large multiprocessor systems that are beyond the scaling limits of the snoopy cache schemes. Slight modifications to directory schemes can ...

17 Design and performance of the Shasta distributed shared memory protocol

Daniel J. Scales, Kourosh Gharachorloo

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18 SoftFLASH: analyzing the performance of clustered distributed virtual shared memory

Andrew Erlichson, Neal Nuckolls, Greg Chesson, John Hennessy

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One potentially attractive way to build large-scale shared-memory machines is to use small-scale or medium-scale shared-memory machines as clusters that are interconnected with an off-the-shelf network. To create a shared-memory programming environment across the clusters, it is possible to build a virtual shared-memory software layer. Because of the low latency and high bandwidth of the

interconnect available within each cluster, there are clear advantages in making the clusters as large as possible ...

19 The VMP multiprocessor: initial experience, refinements, and performance evaluation

D. R. Cheriton, A. Gupta, P. D. Boyle, H. A. Goosen

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VMP is an experimental multiprocessor being developed at Stanford University, suitable for high-performance workstations and server machines. Its primary novelty lies in the use of software management of the per-processor caches and the design decisions in the cache and bus that make this approach feasible. The design and some uniprocessor trace-driven simulations indicating its performance have been reported previously. In this paper, we present our initial experience with the V ...

20 Using dataflow analysis techniques to reduce ownership overhead in cache coherence protocols

Jonas Skeppstedt, Per Stenström

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In this article, we explore the potential of classical dataflow analysis techniques in removing overhead from write-invalidate cache coherence protocols for shared-memory multiprocessors. We construct the compiler algorithms with varying degree of sophistication that detect loads followed by stores to the same address. Such loads are marked and constitute a hint to the cache to obtain an exclusive copy of the block so that the subsequent store does not introduce access penalties. The simplest ...





Keywords: cache coherence, dataflow analysis, performance evaluation

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21 [Memory coherence in shared virtual memory systems](#)

Kai Li, Paul Hudak

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The memory coherence problem in designing and implementing a shared virtual memory on loose coupled multiprocessors is studied in depth. Two classes of algorithms, centralized and distributed solving the problem are presented. A prototype shared virtual memory on an Apollo ring based on algorithms has been implemented. Both theoretical and practical results show that the memory coherence problem can indeed be solved efficiently on a loosely coupled multiprocessor.

22 [VM-based shared memory on low-latency, remote-memory-access networks](#)

Leonidas Kontothanassis, Galen Hunt, Robert Stets, Nikolaos Hardavellas, Michał Cierniak, Srinivasar Parthasarathy, Wagner Meira, Sandhya Dwarkadas, Michael Scott

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Recent technological advances have produced network interfaces that provide users with very low-latency access to the memory of remote machines. We examine the impact of such networks on the implementation and performance of software DSM. Specifically, we compare two DSM systems---Cashmere and TreadMarks---on a 32-processor DEC Alpha cluster connected by a Memory Channel network. Both Cashmere and TreadMarks use virtual memory to maintain coherence on pages, and use lazy, multi-writer releas ...

23 [Empirical performance evaluation of concurrency and coherency control protocols for database sharing systems](#)

Erhard Rahm

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Database Sharing (DB-sharing) refers to a general approach for building a distributed high performance transaction system. The nodes of a DB-sharing system are locally coupled via a high-speed interconnect and share a common database at the disk level. This is also known as a "shared disk" approach. We compare database sharing with the database partitioning (shared nothing) approach and discuss the functional DBMS components that require new and coordinated solutions for DB-sharing ...


Keywords: coherency control, concurrency control, database partitioning, database sharing,

performance analysis, shared disk, shared nothing, trace-driven simulation

24 Adjustable block size coherent caches

Czarek Dubnicki, Thomas J. LeBlanc

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Several studies have shown that the performance of coherent caches depends on the relationship between the granularity of sharing and locality exhibited by the program and the cache block size. cache blocks exploit processor and spatial locality, but may cause unnecessary cache invalidations to false sharing. Small cache blocks can reduce the number of cache invalidations, but increase the number of bus or network transactions required to load data into the cache. In this paper we ...

25 Piranha: a scalable architecture based on single-chip multiprocessing

Luiz André Barroso, Kourosh Gharachorloo, Robert McNamara, Andreas Nowatzky, Shaz Qadeer, Bar Sano, Scott Smith, Robert Stets, Ben Verghese

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The microprocessor industry is currently struggling with higher development costs and longer design times that arise from exceedingly complex processors that are pushing the limits of instruction-level parallelism. Meanwhile, such designs are especially ill suited for important commercial applications as on-line transaction processing (OLTP), which suffer from large memory stall times and exhibit little instruction-level parallelism. Given that commercial applications constitute by far ...

26 Adaptive, fine-grained sharing in a client-server OODBMS: a callback-based approach

Markos Zaharioudakis, Michael J. Carey, Michael J. Franklin

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For reasons of simplicity and communication efficiency, a number of existing object-oriented database management systems are based on page server architectures; data pages are their minimum unit of transfer and client caching. Despite their efficiency, page servers are often criticized as being too restrictive when it comes to concurrency, as existing systems use pages as the minimum locking unit as well. In this paper we show how to support object-level locking in a page-server context. Several ...

Keywords: cache coherency, cache consistency, client-server database, fine-grained sharing, object-oriented databases, performance analysis

27 Performance of database workloads on shared-memory systems with out-of-order processors

Parthasarathy Ranganathan, Kourosh Gharachorloo, Sarita V. Adve, Luiz André Barroso

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Database applications such as online transaction processing (OLTP) and decision support systems constitute the largest and fastest-growing segment of the market for multiprocessor servers. However, most current system designs have been optimized to perform well on scientific and engineering workloads. Given the radically different behavior of database workloads (especially OLTP), it is important to re-evaluate key system design decisions in the context of this important class of applications ...

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Multi-level shared caching techniques for scalability in VMP-M/C

D. R. Cheriton, H. A. Goosen, P. D. Boyle

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The problem of building a scalable shared memory multiprocessor can be reduced to that of building a scalable memory hierarchy, assuming interprocessor communication is handled by the memory system. In this paper, we describe the VMP-MC design, a distributed parallel multi-computer based on the multiprocessor design, that is intended to provide a set of building blocks for configuring machines with one to several thousand processors. VMP-MC uses a memory hierarchy based on shared caches ...

29 A class of compatible cache consistency protocols and their support by the IEEE futurebus

P. Sweazey, A. J. Smith

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Standardization of a high performance blackplane bus, so that it can accommodate boards developed by different vendors, implies the need for a standardized cache consistency protocol. In this paper we define a class of compatible consistency protocols supported by the current IEEE Futurebus design. We refer to this class as the MOESI class of protocols; the term "MOESI" is derived from the names of the states. This class of protocols has the property that any system component can ...

30 An interaction of coherence protocols and memory consistency models in DSM systems

Weisong Shi, Weiwu Hu, Zhimin Tang

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Coherence protocols and memory consistency models are two important issues in hardware coherent shared memory multiprocessors and software distributed shared memory (DSM) systems. Over the years, many researchers have made extensive study on these two issues respectively. However, the interaction between them has not been studied in the literature. In this paper, we study the coherence protocols and memory consistency models used by hardware and software DSM systems in detail. Based on our analysis ...

Keywords: coherence protocol, event ordering, hardware DSM systems, memory consistency models, software DSM systems

31 Efficient strategies for software-only protocols in shared-memory multiprocessors

Håkan Grahm, Per Stenström

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The cost, complexity, and inflexibility of hardware-based directory protocols motivate us to study the performance implications of protocols that emulate directory management using software handlers executed on the compute processors. An important performance limitation of such software-only protocols is that software latency associated with directory management ends up on the critical memory access path for read miss transactions. We propose five strategies that support efficient data transfers ...

32 Cache coherence protocols: evaluation using a multiprocessor simulation model

James Archibald, Jean-Loup Baer

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Using simulation, we examine the efficiency of several distributed, hardware-based solutions to the cache coherence problem in shared-bus multiprocessors. For each of the approaches, the associated protocol is outlined. The simulation model is described, and results from that model are presented. The magnitude of the potential performance difference between the various approaches indicates that the choice of coherence solution is very important in the design of an efficient shared-bus multi ...

33 Munin: distributed shared memory based on type-specific memory coherence

J. K. Bennett, J. B. Carter, W. Zwaenepoel

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We are developing Munin, a system that allows programs written for shared memory multiprocessors to be executed efficiently on distributed memory machines. Munin attempts to overcome the architectural limitations of shared memory machines, while maintaining their advantages in terms of ease of programming. Our system is unique in its use of loosely coherent memory, based on the partial or total coherence specified by a shared memory parallel program, and in its use of type-specific memory coherence.

34 Simple compiler algorithms to reduce ownership overhead in cache coherence protocols

Jonas Skeppstedt, Per Stenström

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We study in this paper the design and efficiency of compiler algorithms that remove ownership overhead in shared-memory multiprocessors with write-invalidate protocols. These algorithms detect loads followed by stores to the same address. Such loads are marked and constitute a hint to the cache to obtain an exclusive copy of the block. We consider three algorithms where the first one focuses on store sequences within each basic block of code and the other two analyse the existence of l ...

35 Multiple vs. wide shared bus multiprocessors

A. Hopper, A. Jones, D. Lioupis

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In this paper we compare the simulated performance of a family of multiprocessor architectures based on a global shared memory. The processors are connected to the memory through caches that share one or more shared buses in crossbar arrangement. We have simulated a number of configurations in order to assess the relative performance of multiple versus wide bus machines, with varying amount of prefetch. Four programs, with widely differing characteristics, were run on each configuration ...

36 Managing pages in shared virtual memory systems: getting the compiler into the game

Elana D. Granston, Harry A. G. Wijshoff

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In large-scale multiprocessors, whether loosely or tightly coupled, some memory is cheaper to access than other memory. Because direct management of memory on these machines is quite burdensome for the programmer, much research effort has been directed toward providing a shared virtual memory (SVM) interface. Clearly, the success of this endeavor depends heavily on the efficiency of page management strategies. To date, this has been primarily the responsibility of the operating system ...

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A decentralized communication efficient distributed shared memory

Legond L. Burge, Mitchell L. Neilsen

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Keywords: database, distributed algorithm, distributed shared memory, memory coherence, sequential consistency

38 Hive: fault containment for shared-memory multiprocessors

J. Chapin, M. Rosenblum, S. Devine, T. Lahiri, D. Teodosiu, A. Gupta

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39 Adaptive software cache management for distributed shared memory architectures

John K. Bennett, John B. Carter, Willy Zwaenepoel

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An adaptive cache coherence mechanism exploits semantic information about the expected or observed access behavior of particular data objects. We contend that, in distributed shared memory system adaptive cache coherence mechanisms will outperform static cache coherence mechanisms. We have examined the sharing and synchronization behavior of a variety of shared memory parallel programs. We have found that the access patterns of a large percentage of shared data objects fall into a small number of categories.

40 Mirage: a coherent distributed shared memory design

B. Fleisch, G. Popek

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Shared memory is an effective and efficient paradigm for interprocess communication. We are concerned with software that makes use of shared memory in a single site system and its extension to a multimachine environment. Here we describe the design of a distributed shared memory (DSM) system called Mirage developed at UCLA. Mirage provides a form of network transparency to make network boundaries invisible for shared memory and is upward compatible with an existing interface.

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41 [Transactional lock-free execution of lock-based programs](#)

Ravi Rajwar, James R. Goodman

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This paper is motivated by the difficulty in writing correct high-performance programs. Writing shared memory multi-threaded programs imposes a complex trade-off between programming ease and performance, largely due to subtleties in coordinating access to shared data. To ensure correctness, programmers often rely on conservative locking at the expense of performance. The resulting serialization of threads is a performance bottleneck. Locks also interact poorly with thread scheduling and faults, r ...

42 [Implementation and performance of Munin](#)

John B. Carter, John K. Bennett, Willy Zwaenepoel

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Munin is a distributed shared memory (DSM) system that allows shared memory parallel programs to be executed efficiently on distributed memory multiprocessors. Munin is unique among existing DSM systems in its use of *multiple consistency protocols* and in its use of *release consistency*. In Munin, shared program variables are annotated with their expected access pattern, and these annotations are then used by the runtime system to choose a consistency protocol best suited to that access pattern ...

43 [Multithreading and value prediction: Speculative lock elision: enabling highly concurrent multithreaded execution](#)

Ravi Rajwar, James R. Goodman

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Serialization of threads due to critical sections is a fundamental bottleneck to achieving high performance in multithreaded programs. Dynamically, such serialization may be unnecessary because these critical sections could have safely executed concurrently without locks. Current processors cannot fully exploit such parallelism because they do not have mechanisms to dynamically detect such false inter-thread dependences. We propose *Speculative Lock Elision (SLE)*, a novel micro-architectural technique ...

44 Combined performance gains of simple cache protocol extensions

F. Dahlgren, M. Dubois, P. Stenström

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We consider three simple extensions to directory-based cache coherence protocols in shared-memory multiprocessors. These extensions are aimed at reducing the penalties associated with memory access and include a hardware prefetching scheme, a migratory sharing optimization, and a competitive mechanism. Since they target different components of the read and write penalties, they can be combined effectively. Detailed architectural simulations using five benchmarks show substantial combined ...

45 Performance analysis of multiprocessor cache consistency protocols using generalized time Petri nets

Mary K. Vernon, Mark A. Holliday

May 1986 **ACM SIGMETRICS Performance Evaluation Review , Proceedings of the 1986 ACM SIGMETRICS joint international conference on Computer performance modelling measurement and evaluation**, Volume 14 Issue 1

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We use an exact analytical technique, based on Generalized Timed Petri Nets (GTPNs), to study the performance of shared bus cache consistency protocols for multiprocessors. We develop a general framework within which the key characteristics of the Write-Once protocol and four enhancements have been combined in various ways in the literature can be identified and evaluated. We then quantitatively assess the performance gains for each of the four enhancements. We consider ...

46 Implementing global memory management in a workstation cluster

M. J. Feeley, W. E. Morgan, E. P. Pighin, A. R. Karlin, H. M. Levy, C. A. Thekkath

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47 Hardware prediction for data coherency of scientific codes on DSM

J. T. Acquaviva, W. Jalby

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This paper proposes a hardware mechanism for reducing coherency overhead occurring in scientific computations within DSM systems. A first phase aims at detecting, in the address space regular patterns (called streams) of coherency events (such as requests for exclusive, shared or invalidation). Once a stream is detected at a loop level, regularity of data access can be exploited at the loop level (spatial locality) but also between loops (temporal locality). We present a hardware ...

48 Performance evaluation of memory consistency models for shared-memory multiprocessors

Kourosh Gharachorloo, Anoop Gupta, John Hennessy

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49 Using destination-set prediction to improve the latency/bandwidth tradeoff in shared-memory multiprocessors

Milo M. K. Martin, Pacia J. Harper, Daniel J. Sorin, Mark D. Hill, David A. Wood

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Destination-set prediction can improve the latency/bandwidth tradeoff in shared-memory multiprocessors. The destination set is the collection of processors that receive a particular coherence request. Snooping protocols send requests to the maximal destination set (i.e., all processors), reducing latency for cache-to-cache misses at the expense of increased traffic. Directory protocols send requests to the minimal destination set, reducing bandwidth at the expense of an indirection through the directory.

50 Boosting the performance of hybrid snooping cache protocols

Fredrik Dahlgren

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Previous studies of bus-based shared-memory multiprocessors have shown hybrid write-invalidate/write-update snooping protocols to be incapable of providing consistent performance improvements over write-invalidate protocols. In this paper, we analyze the deficiencies of hybrid snooping protocols under release consistency, and show how these deficiencies can be dramatically reduced by using write caches and read snarfing. Our performance evaluation is based on program-driven simulation and a set of benchmarks.

51 Optimizing software cache-coherent cluster architectures

Xiaohan Qin, Jean-Loup Baer

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Software cache-coherent systems using programmable protocol processors provide a flexible infrastructure to expand the systems in size and function. However this flexibility comes at a cost in performance. First, the software implementation of protocols is inherently slower than a hardware implementation. Second, when multiple processors share a protocol processor, contention may result in a substantial increase in memory latency. In this paper, we study how the overhead of a software scheme can be reduced.

Keywords: communication primitives, performance evaluation, software-controlled cache coherence

52 Options for dynamic address translation in COMAs

Xiaogang Qiu, Michel Dubois

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In modern processors, the dynamic translation of virtual addresses to support virtual memory is done before or in parallel with the first-level cache access. As processor technology improves at a rapid pace and the working sets of new applications grow insatiably, the latency and bandwidth demands on the Translation Lookaside Buffer (TLB) are getting more and more difficult to meet. The situation is worse in multiprocessor systems, which run larger applications and are plagued by the TLB consistency problem.

53 Performance of cache coherence in stackable filing

J. Heidemann, G. Popek

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54 Delayed consistency and its effects on the miss rate of parallel programs

Michel Dubois, Jin Chin Wang, Luiz A. Barroso, Kangwoo Lee, Yung-Syau Chen

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55 Cache coherence in systems with parallel communication channels & many processors

John C. Willis, Arthur C. Sanderson, Charles R. Hill

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This paper describes and analyzes two algorithms for maintaining cache coherence in multiprocess systems with parallel communication channels and many processors. A distributed link-list relates cache frames representing the same main memory block. Messages traverse the list to maintain li integrity, exclusive ownership, and consistent values. Memory access semantics are equivalent to shared memory system without caches. Reference latency, efficiency of memory use, and hardware complex ...

56 An economical solution to the cache coherence problem

James Archibald, Jean Loup Baer

January 1984 **ACM SIGARCH Computer Architecture News , Proceedings of the 11th annual international symposium on Computer architecture**, Volume 12 Issue 3

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In this paper we review and qualitatively evaluate schemes to maintain cache coherence in tightly coupled multiprocessor systems. This leads us to propose a more economical (hardware-wise), expandable and modular variation of the "global directory" approach. Protocols for this solution are described. Performance evaluation studies indicate the limits (number of processors, level of sharing) within which this approach is viable.

57 The detection and elimination of useless misses in multiprocessors

Michel Dubois, Jonas Skeppstedt, Livio Ricciulli, Krishnan Ramamurthy, Per Stenström

May 1993 **ACM SIGARCH Computer Architecture News , Proceedings of the 20th annual international symposium on Computer architecture**, Volume 21 Issue 2

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In this paper we introduce a new classification of misses in shared-memory multiprocessors based on interprocessor communication. We identify the set of essential misses, i.e., the smallest set of misses necessary for correct execution. Essential misses include cold misses and true sharing misses. All other misses are useless misses and can be ignored without affecting the correctness of program execution. Based on the new classification we compare the effectiveness of five different protocols ...

58 Parallel architectures: Inferential queueing and speculative push for reducing critical communication latencies

Ravi Rajwar, Alain Kägi, James R. Goodman

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Communication latencies within critical sections constitute a major bottleneck in some classes of


emerging parallel workloads. In this paper, we argue for the use of Inferentially Queued Locks (IQ [31], not just for efficient synchronization but also for reducing communication latencies, and we propose a novel mechanism, Speculative Push (SP), aimed at reducing these communication latencies. With IQs, the processor infers the existence, and limits, of a critical section from the use of sync

Keywords: data forwarding, inferential queueing, synchronization

59 Using "test model-checking" to verify the Runway-PA8000 memory model

Rajnish Ghughal, Abdel Mokkedem, Ratan Nalumasu, Ganesh Gopalakrishnan

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60 The impact of architectural trends on operating system performance

M. Rosenblum, E. Bugnion, S. A. Herrod, E. Witchel, A. Gupta

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61 [An accurate and efficient performance analysis technique for multiprocessor snooping cache consistency protocols](#)

M. K. Vernon, E. D. Lazowska, J. Zahorjan

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A number of dynamic cache consistency protocols have been developed for multiprocessors having shared bus interconnect between processors and shared memory. The relative performance of the protocols has been studied extensively using simulation and detailed analytical models based on M chain techniques. Both of these approaches use relatively detailed models, which capture cache ar interference rather precisely, but which are highly expensive to evaluate. In this paper, we inv ...

62 [Multiprocessor cache analysis using ATUM](#)

R. L. Sites, A. Agarwal

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The design of high-performance multiprocessor systems necessitates a careful analysis of the mer system performance of parallel programs. Lacking multiprocessor address traces, previous multiprocessor performance studies using analytical models had to make an inordinate number of assumptions about the underlying memory reference patterns. We previously developed a scheme ATUM - Address Tracing Using Microcode - to get reliable operating system and multiprogramming traces on single ...

63 [Supporting reference and dirty bits in SPUR's virtual address cache](#)







D. A. Wood, R. H. Katz

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Virtual address caches can provide faster access times than physical address caches, because tran is only required on cache misses. However, because we don't check the translation information on cache access, maintaining reference and dirty bits is more difficult. In this paper we examine the t offs in supporting reference and dirty bits in a virtual address cache. We use measurements from . uniprocessor SPUR prototype to evaluate different alternatives. The prototype's buil ...

- 64 Mapping irregular applications to DIVA, a PIM-based data-intensive architecture
Mary Hall, Peter Kogge, Jeff Koller, Pedro Diniz, Jacqueline Chame, Jeff Draper, Jeff LaCoss, John Gr
Jay Brockman, Apoorv Srivastava, William Athas, Vincent Freeh, Jaewook Shin, Joonseok Park
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- 65 Shared memory computing on SP2: JIAJIA approach
M. Rasit Eskicioglu, T. Anthony Marsland
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Distributed shared memory (DSM) is a useful abstraction not only for deploying networks of workstations as a parallel multicomputer but also for increasing the usability of non-uniform memory access multicomputers. It provides an alternative programming model for distributed memory computers. In this paper, we present empirical evaluation of JIAJIA, a software DSM system, on a SP2 cluster. We also discuss the performance of a suite of six widely different applications running on this software ...
- 66 Comparative evaluation of latency reducing and tolerating techniques
Anoop Gupta, John Hennessy, Kourosh Gharachorloo, Todd Mowry, Wolf-Dietrich Weber
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- 67 The Amber system: parallel programming on a network of multiprocessors
J. Chase, F. Amador, E. Lazowska, H. Levy, R. Littlefield
November 1989 **ACM SIGOPS Operating Systems Review , Proceedings of the twelfth ACM symposium on Operating systems principles**, Volume 23 Issue 5
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This paper describes a programming system called Amber that permits a single application program to use a homogeneous network of computers in a uniform way, making the network appear to the application as an integrated multiprocessor. Amber is specifically designed for high performance in the case where each node in the network is a shared-memory multiprocessor. Amber shows that supporting loosely-coupled multiprocessing can be efficiently realized using an object-oriented ...
- 68 A cost-comparison approach for adaptive distributed shared memory
Jai-Hoon Kim, Nitin H. Vaidya
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- 69 Tolerating latency in multiprocessors through compiler-inserted prefetching
Todd C. Mowry
February 1998 **ACM Transactions on Computer Systems (TOCS)**, Volume 16 Issue 1
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The large latency of memory accesses in large-scale shared-memory multiprocessors is a key obstacle to achieving high processor utilization. Software-controlled prefetching is a technique for tolerating memory latency by explicitly executing instructions to move data close to the processor before the

are actually needed. To minimize the burden on the programmer, compiler support is needed to automatically insert prefetch instructions into the code. A key challenge when ...

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70 Diffracting trees

Nir Shavit, Asaph Zernach

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Shared counters are among the most basic coordination structures in multiprocessor computation, applications ranging from barrier synchronization to concurrent-data-structure design. This article introduces diffracting trees, novel data structures for share counting and load balancing in a distributed/parallel environment. Empirical evidence, collected on a simulated distributed shared-memory machine and several simulated message-passing architectures, shows that diffracting trees scale ...

Keywords: contention, counting networks, index distribution, lock free, wait free

71 A low-overhead coherence solution for multiprocessors with private cache memories

Mark S. Papamarcos, Janak H. Patel

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This paper presents a cache coherence solution for multiprocessors organized around a single time shared bus. The solution aims at reducing bus traffic and hence bus wait time. This in turn increases overall processor utilization. Unlike most traditional high-performance coherence solutions, this solution does not use any global tables. Furthermore, this coherence scheme is modular and easily extensible requiring no modification of cache modules to add more processors to a system. The ...

72 Object race detection

Christoph von Praun, Thomas R. Gross

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We present an on-the-fly mechanism that detects access conflicts in executions of multi-threaded programs. Access conflicts are a conservative approximation of data races. The checker tracks access information at the level of objects (*object races*) rather than at the level of individual variables. This viewpoint allows the checker to exploit specific properties of object-oriented programs for optimization by restricting dynamic checks to those objects that are identified by escape analysis ...

73 A low-overhead coherence solution for multiprocessors with private cache memories

Mark S. Papamarcos, Janak H. Patel

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74 A single cached copy data coherence scheme for multiprocessor systems

A. Mendelson, D. K. Pradhan, A. D. Singh

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We present and evaluate a snoopy cache memory protocol, the Single Cache Copy Data Coherency (SCCDC), for multiprocessors that allows only a single cache to hold a given share-d data at any time. The simulations presented here indicate that despite its simplicity, the scheme has the potential for performance comparable with more complex snoopy cache schemes. We have also shown in related work [8] that the existence of only a single copy of data in cache allows efficient access control to

75 The architecture of a Linda coprocessor

V. Krishnaswamy, S. Ahuja, N. Carriero, D. Gelernter

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We describe the architecture of a coprocessor that supports the communication primitives of the Linda parallel programming environment in hardware. The coprocessor is a critical element in the architecture of the Linda Machine, an MIMD parallel processing system that is designed top down from the specifications of Linda. Communication in Linda programs takes place through a logically shared associative memory mechanism called tuple space. The Linda Machine, however, has no physically shared ...

76 The Starfire SMP interconnect

Alan Charlesworth, Nicholas Aneshansley, Mark Haakmeester, Dan Drogichen, Gary Gilbert, Ricki Wilcox, Andrew Phelps

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Keywords: Adaptation, Linux, UNIX, Windows, caching, conflict resolution, continuous data access, data staging, disaster recovery, disconnected operation, failure, high availability, hoarding, intermittent networks, isolation-only transactions, low-bandwidth networks, mobile computing, optimistic replication, control, server replication, translucent cache management, weakly connected operation

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